



# SCOPE UNIVERSAL PRE-K 2024-2025

Building a Strong Foundation  
For Kindergarten

# What is SCOPE Education Services?

- SCOPE is a not-for-profit organization
- Services include Pre-School Programs, UPK Programs, Before and After School Care, Enrichment Programs and Professional Development for teachers throughout Long Island



# WHAT IS UPK?

- UPK stands for **Universal Pre-Kindergarten**. It is a New York State grant that is given to a district for the purpose of providing Pre-K only. It cannot be allocated to any other program
- The grant is limited and can only be used on a **pre-determined** amount of students. State guidelines do not allow for the grant to be used in any other manner
- Participants are chosen through a lottery system. **All numbers** will be selected. When the spots for the UPK have been drawn, the remaining numbers will be placed on a wait list
- The wait list remains active throughout the year. As students move throughout the program, you may still be called to take part in the UPK
- For eligibility students must turn 4 on or before December 1<sup>st</sup>.

# WHAT SCOPE UPK HAS TO OFFER

- A curriculum based on the NYS Learning Standards for pre-school age children.
- A balance of academic and social learning
- Music, movement, purposeful play and hands on activities integrated throughout the day
- Instruction delivered in individual, small and large groups
- Teacher and child guided instruction
- Differentiated learning styles for all children
- Qualified Teacher, Teacher Assistant/Teacher Aide in each class. Maximum number of students is 18

# HEALTH PROTOCOLS

- SCOPE will follow all District Guidelines relating to health and safety matters.
- UPK classes will participate in building fire drills, lockdown drills, etc.



# A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A UPK CHILD

## Daily schedule:

Arrival  
Morning Meeting  
Choice/Center Time  
Snack Time  
Whole Group Learning  
Read Aloud  
Gross Motor Activity  
Lunch  
Afternoon Meeting  
Choice/Center Time  
Snack Time  
Gross Motor Activity  
Closing Activity  
Dismissal

- Programs are in session Monday through Friday
- Locations may vary year to year
- Five Hour Instructional Program
- District will provide an offering of lunch
- Two snacks provided by SCOPE



# Preparation for Kindergarten

The SCOPE UPK Program enhances a child's readiness skills to support a smooth transition into Kindergarten classrooms.

## ASPECTS OF THE CURRICULUM

Letter and sound recognition

Language and Listening Skills

STEAM skills

Social/Emotional skills

Development of fine/gross motor skills



# Parent Involvement

Parents are an important part of the team at SCOPE UPK. Our teachers provide several opportunities for parents to be involved in their child's learning environment.

- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Meet and Greet
- Evening Open House
- Mystery Reader
- Class Sing Alongs
- Helping Hands
- Special Occasions
- SCOPE will follow district protocols with regard to class gatherings and visitors





# IN ADDITION....

- Progress reports are distributed twice per year
- Monthly Newsletter keeps families informed
- Every classroom is supplied with a SCOPE cell phone
- Guardians are required to sign student out each day. Photo ID is required at dismissal time
- Classrooms will follow School District food related protocols
- Discuss any student medical concerns or allergies requiring an Epi-pen with classroom teacher and building nurse prior to the start of the school year
- SCOPE UPK schedule follows the school district calendar

# CONTACT INFORMATION

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